## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Agricultural & Marketing Department - Procurement of Bengal Gram by the MARKFED pertaining to 2012-2013 Rabi season under Market Intervention Scheme and Procurement of Bengal Gram for season Rabi 2014-15 – Modification Orders – Issued.

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## AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (AM-IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.169

Dt.22-02-2014
Read the following:

- 1. From the Managing Director, A.P.MARKFED, Hyderabad, Lr.No. P&M1/Bengal Gram/2013-14, Dt.17.01.2014
- 2. Lr.No.6663/AM.IV/2013-, dt. 28-01-2014 addressed to Govt. of India.
- 3. G.O.Rt.No. 79, Agri. & Coop. (A.M.IV) Dept., Dt.31.01.2014
- 4. G.O.Rt.No. 3, Consumer Affairs, Food and Civil Supplies(CS.I) Dept., dt. 06-02-2014

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## ORDER:

In the G.O. 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, Government have issued orders for procurement of Bengal Gram stored in Cold Storages pertaining to 2012-13 Rabi Season as notified by the District Collectors from 01.02.2014 to 15.02.2014. The standing committee has taken MSP price of 2013-14 as base i.e., Rs. 3000/- per Qtl. for fixing MIS price.

- 2. The Government of Andhra Pradesh in letter 2<sup>nd</sup> read above has requested the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution Dept., Government of India to help the farmers of Andhra Pradesh and issue necessary instructions to the NAFED to purchase the stocks of Bengal Gram 2012-13 at the MSP rates and to bear the difference of cost between MSP and MIS on 50:50 sharing basis by Govt. of India and State Govt. as was done in the past. The orders from Government of India are yet to be received.
- 3. With regard to procurement of Bengal Gram under MIS, thus, may be resorted to after receiving clearance from Government of India since the period of procurement mentioned in the G.O. 3<sup>rd</sup> read above is also over.
- 4. The Department of Agriculture have simultaneously notified the harvest period of Bengal gram as 1<sup>st</sup> week of February to last week of April since the arrivals of fresh Bengal Gram crop has commenced, the Commissioner of Consumer Affairs, Food and Civil Supplies(CS.I) Dept., has also issued orders in G.O.Ms.No. 3, Consumer Affairs, Food and Civil Supplies(CS.I) Dept., dt. 06.02.2014 to commence MSP operations of Bengal Gram under KMS 2014-15 where ever market prices are below Rs. 3100/- per Qtl.
- 5. The State /Central Ware Housing Corporation including FCI shall earmark their vacant Godowns for priority storage of the produce procured under MSP/MIS and also earmark minimum of 10% of the space in the godowns already under their use invariably in the interest of farmers in the State.
- 6. The District Collectors are advised to concentrate on MSP operations of Rabi Bengal gram and complete the procurement in a peaceful manner as it is a time bound programme for a period of 90 days only.

- 7. The District Collectors of Prakasam, Kurnool and Mahaboobnagar are also specifically requested to furnish farmer-wise details to be subjected to Market Intervention Scheme (MIS) price well in advance to assess the volume involved and funds requirement separately so as to take-up the matter with Govt. of India for provision of funds on sharing basis between State and Central Government.
- 8. The District Collectors are also permitted to take a decision at local level as to opening of procurement centers to facilitate the farmers to sell their produce by involving local procuring agencies at village/mandal level as deem fit at their end.
- 9. The A.P. MARKFED, State Procuring Agency, is also permitted to engage the service of HACA as per the local requirement as their subagency.
- 10. The Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Hyderabad shall release Rs.50.00 Crores from Central Market fund as corpus to A.P. MARKFED pending drawal of credit line from R.B.I. by the Latter Agency as recoverable advance to be re-couped so as to ensure prompt payment to the farmer on the spot without feeling crunch for funds. The A.P. MARKFED to take steps to re-coup the amount to Agricultural Marketing Department on depositing the produce with NAFED or availing the credit line from R.B.I., which ever is earlier.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

## Dr. D.SRINIVASULU, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (AM&C).

To

The Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing A.P., Hyderabad

The Director of Marketing, A.P., Hyderabad

The Managing Director, MARKFED, A.P., Hyderabad

The District Collectors concerned.

The General Manager, Food Corporation of India, A.P. Hyderabad.

The Regional Manager, Central Warehousing Corporation, A.P.

Hyderabad.

The Vice-Chairman & Managing Director, State Warehousing Corporation, A.P.Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Branch Manager, NAFED, Hyderabad

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**SECTION OFFICER**